

On April 27th we convened the first meeting of President Obama's bi-partisan National Commission on Fiscal Responsibility and Reform, where we are working to find solutions to our nation's current fiscal imbalance.

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As we talk dollars and cents, I hope we remember this is our opportunity to ask: what kind of a country do we want to live in? What should our priorities be as a people? Should everyone—rich and poor, young and old, rural and urban—share in the pain and share in the gain?

I believe the best thing we can do for our future generations is rebuild America's middle class. When working Americans can find good jobs that support a family, can afford to see a doctor when they get sick, have a shot at sending their children to college and retiring with dignity—that's when America prospers and our budgets make sense.

The task of deciding how to pay for the long-term investments will not be easy. Moving forward, I want to hear from you on what you think we should do to put America back on track and achieve long-term fiscal sustainability. Please leave your comments here on the blog, and take my quick survey on government priorities:

- [Click here to take my survey on government priorities.](#)✓

Many thanks for your participation!